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**10 METERS NET TO RETURN**. Beginning the **first weekend of November**, the "**Brazil DX Net**" will return to 28430 kHz from 1200-1400z. All amateur radio stations are welcome.

- **3B8, MAURITIUS**. The LNDX reports that Jacques, F6HMJ, will be active as **3B8/F6HMJ** from **November 15th through December 5th**. He will be active on all bands and hopes to be on 160 meters. He will also be active during **CQWW CW Contest**, mostly on 10 meters.
- **4L, GEORGIA**. Look for Omari, **4L5O**, to be active in next week's **CQ WWDX SSB Contest** as a Single Operator/Single Band (28 MHz) entry with low power (100 watts).
- **8R, GUYANA**. Olli, OH0XX, will operate **8R1K** in the **CQWW SSB Contest** as a Single Op/All Bands entry. QSL via Suite 599, 1313 So. Military Trail, Deerfield Beach, FL 33442, U.S.A.
- **9G, GHANA**. Excerpts from a press release by Roger, G3SXW, announces that the Voodoo Contest group will again be active from West Africa in the **CQWW CW Contest** (**November 27-28th**) for the SEVENTH year. After successes as 5V7A, the group returns to Ghana this year and will sign **9G5AA**. They will enter as a Multi/Multi category installing seven full stations and 18 antennas at a new coastal site in Central Ghana. Team members (with personal 9G callsigns that are known) are: Jeff/9H1EL, Roger/G3SXW/9G5SX, Don/G3XTT, Fred/G4BWP, Cris/G4FAM, Andy/G4PIQ, Vince/K5VT/9G5VT, Mike/ KC7V/9G5MF and Jim/KF7E. Just before the contest, **November 24-26th**, look for activity on various bands, including short spells on 160 and 6 meters, which is likely to be all CW. QSL 9G5AA via GM4FDM, Tom Wylie, 3 King's Crescent, Elderslie, Renfrewshire, PA5 9AD, Scotland. Bureau replies may be requested by sending QSO details and your callsign by E-mail to Tom at: <a href="twylie@net.ntl.com">twylie@net.ntl.com</a> Also visit the Voodoo Contest Group Web site at: <a href="http://voodudes.com">http://voodudes.com</a> The OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive the complete press release as an additional bulletin.

**9K, KUWAIT**. Hamad, **9K2HN**, will be participating in the **CQWW SSB Contest** as Single Op/All Bands entry. QSL is OK via the Bureau or direct to: Hamad Alnusif, P.O. Box 29174, Safat 13152 Kuwait

AH2, GUAM. Members of the Guam Contest Club will be active in the CQWW SSB Contest as AH2R. The club was the Oceanic leader as a Multi-Single category in 1996 and 1997. Last year they made an effort in the Multi-Multi category and won the second place in the Oceania area (close behind of KH7R). This year they are trying to build an Oceanic record in the Multi-Single category. The operators will be Aki/JI3ERV/NH2C, Kaz/JG3RPL/ N1BJ, Seo/JR3RVO/WX8M, Toshi/JR7OMD/WI3O, Sam/JR8VSE and Taka/JR8PPG. They suggest to listen carefuly for them between 7075-7100 on 40 meters, and their sunrise/sunset is: 2012/0757z. QSL via JI3ERV (Direct or JA bureau, NOT KH2 bureau).

**B1, CHINA**. The contest callsign **B1Z** of The Beijing DX Club will once again be active during this upcoming **CQ World Wide SSB DX Contest**. They will participate in the multimulti category. Operators include Tong/BA1AA, Cheng/BA1CO, Alan/BA1DU, Jerry/BA1FB, Guo/BA1GYS, Chen/BA1HAM, Qin/BA1KA, Ban/BA1MK, Chen/BA1MT, Zheng/BA1TU and Chen/BD1CU. QSL via JA4HCK only.

BORNEO/SPRATLY DXPEDITION UPDATE. The 1999 "Hillview Gardens" Borneo DXpedition has announced the operators and the schedule for this operation. The team is: Bob Schenck, N2OO/9M6OO - DXpedition leader; Jani Kusmulyana, YBOUS/NM6US/9M6US - Hardware engineer; Mike Mraz, N6MZ; Tom Harrell, N4XP; Paul Newberry, N4PN; William Beyer, N2WB; and Jim Stahl, K8MR. All seven well seasoned operators (SSB/CW/RTTY). The schedule is as follows:

- November 7-10: 9M6AAC Hillview Gardens, Sabah, East Malaysia
- November 11-17: 9M6OO Layang-Layang Island, Spratly Islands
- November 18-21: The team will be attending the SEANET Convention in Brunei
- November 21-25: V85OO Brunei
- November 24-29: 9M6AAC Hillview Gardens, Sabah, East Malaysia, with an entry expected in the CQWW-CW by the team.

They will have a Web page set up linked from: <a href="http://www.qsl.net/n2oo/">http://www.qsl.net/n2oo/</a> Full updates will be posted as well as pictures from the team during the operation, however not during the 9M6OO "Spratly" activity as there is no internet access available there. Contributions for this DXpedition would be most appreciated. Contact point for this DXpedition is Bob Schenck, N2OO, and he can be E-mailed at: <a href="mailed-at-n2oo@arrl.net">n2oo@arrl.net</a> or via mail: Bob Schenck, N2OO, P.O. Box 345, Tuckerton, N.J. 08087-0345 U.S.A.

**C6, BAHAMAS**. The Cinco Nueve Contest Group (CNCG) will be active between **November 23rd and December 2nd**. The members include Lee/N7NU, Al/K7AR, Ron/WJ7R and Bob/W7RR. They will participate in the **CQWW CW Contest** as **C6AJX** (QSL via N7NU). Outside the contest they will sign **homecall/C6A**. QSL to home calls. During the operation, or as uploads permit, logs and photos will be posted on the CNCG Web site at: <a href="http://www.qsl.net/k7ar/">http://www.qsl.net/k7ar/</a>

**C6, BAHAMAS**. Ed, WA3WSJ, will operate as **WA3WSJ/C6A** from **Abaco Island** (**NA-080**) in the Bahamas from **November 23-30th**. He will take his Elecraft K2 rig and operate QRP on

**C6, BAHAMAS**. The C6AGS CQWW SSB operation **has been cancelled** due to a direct hit by Hurricane Floyd on Treasure Cay.

CE0Z, JUAN FERNANDENZ ISLAND (Update). Marco, CE6TBN, reports that the Ministry of Telecommunication has granted them the callsign CE0Z for his DXpedition to Juan Fernandez Island Janury 6-16th, in the year 2000. For more details, please refer to OPDX.430. Marco also mentions that he is still looking for a sixth operator. If interested, send him an E-mail at: ce6tbn@qsl.net

**CT3, MADEIRA ISLANDS**. Siggi, TF3CW, will be back in CT3 during this year's CQ WW SSB/CW Contests as a Single Op/All Bands High Power entry. He is going to use the callsign CT3FN. QSL via HB9CRV only. He will be active before the contest as CT3/TF3CW. QSL via LX1NO only.

**EV5, BELARUS**. Igor, EU1EU (President of AGB - Activity Group of Belarus), reports that he will be active as **EV5M** during **October through the New Year**. Activity will take place on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, every week. QSL via his home callsign EU1EU: Igor Getmann, POB 143, Minsk-5, 220005, Belarus. QSLs for EU930EU, UC2ABO and the club station EW1WC ("Argonauts") can also be sent to him.

**FO0, AUSTRAL ISLAND**. Marcel, ON4QM, will still be active from here as **FO0DEH** until **October 30th**.

**HK**, **COLOMBIA** (**Bad News**). Gerard, F2JD/**HK3JBR**, is heading back to Bogota after a few weeks vacation in France. During his stay all his equipment had been stolen.

## HS0, THAILAND (CQWW Contest and More).....

- Bruce, AA4XR, reports to OPDX that he will be active as HS0ZCY from November 20th through December 7th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters CW/RTTY. QSL via WB4FNH.
- Look for RAST's **HS0AC** club station to join in during the big **contest** next weekend. Operators will be HS1CKC, HS0GBI, HS6NDK, E20NVH, E20REX/YL, E21EIC, JA0QZ, JA4RWN and G3NOM. QSL Manager is G3NOM.
- Look for **HS72A** to be active during the **CQWW SSB Contest**. This is a special callsign to celebrate his **Majesty King Bumipol's (HS1A) birthday**. QSL Manager is Winit, HS1CKC. The King will be 72 years old, and the special operation will last until December 1999.
- Also, look for the special JOTA callsign, **HS0AJ**, to be active. QSL Manager is HS7AHV.

## **IOTA NEWS.....**

- AS-117. Takeshi, JI3DST, will be active as JI3DST/3, from Honshu's Coastal Island (Awajishima Hyogo) October 30th through November 1st. Activity will be on 15 and 10 meters during the CQWW SSB Contest. QSL via JARL Bureau or direct.
- OC-177. The Indonesian Amateur Radio Society (ORARI) is planning a DXpedition to

- Samut Island, located north of Jakarta in the Thousand Islands. The operation will start on October 28th and last until November 1st. They are planning to participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest. A special DXpedition callsign was issued with a prefix that has never been used. Look for 7A0K to be aired. The DXpedition will be on SSB and CW, 160-10m, including the WARC bands. The QSL information is via YB0AI.
- **SA-058**. The "Grupo DX Caracas" is celebrating its 10th anniversary and will arrange a DXpedition on **November 12-14th** to **Farallon Centinela Island** in the Caribbean Sea, located in front of the coast of Venezuela. They will try to get on all bands on SSB and CW. Their callsign will be **YW5FC**. QSL via W4SO.
- **J3**, **GRENADA**. Don, K2KQ, reports that he will be active as **J3A** as a Multi/Multi entry in both **CQWW SSB** and **CW Contest**. Ann, WA1S, will be the QSL manager for both contests.
- **KH2, GUAM**. Dave, N2NL, reports that he will be active in the **CQWW SSB Contest** next weekend as **KH2/N2NL**, operating from Danny's, KH2JU, new hilltop QTH. It will be a serious Single Op/All Bands effort, 160-10 meters. He is also planning the same thing for the **CQWW CW Contest**. QSL via W2YC. Dave mentions that these 2 contests will probably be his last hurrah before he transfers back to the states early next year.
- **LS0, ARGENTINA**. "The 59(9) DXReport" reports that the "Radio Club Villa Angela" will be active from the **El Suazalito** Region **November 27-29th** as **LS0G**. Activity will be on 40-10 meters CW, SSB, SSTV and PSK31. A special certificate will be available for 5 IRCs from LU4GO.

**NCDXF PRESS RELEASE**. At its Board of Directors meeting on October 17, 1999, in Cupertino, CA, the Northern California DX Foundation re-elected the following officers and directors:

President	Len Geraldi	K6ANP
Vice President	Al Burnham	K6RIM
Secretary	Tom McShane	NW6P
Treasurer	Bruce Butler	W6OSP
Director	Lou Beaudet	K6TMB
Director	Rusty Epps	W60AT
Director	Bob Fabry	N6EK
Director	Chuck Ternes	N6OJ
Director	Steve Thomas	N6ST
Director	Glenn Vinson	W6OTC

Dave Pugatch, KI6WF, was newly elected as a Director.

Information pertaining to the Northern California DX Foundation is available at: <a href="http://www.ncdxf.org">http://www.ncdxf.org</a>

**OCEANIC TRIP** (EAST MALAYSIA and BRUNEI). A JA group will visit Brunei to attend the SEANET Convention and East Malaysia in November. The operators are: JA3AA, JA3CF, JA3IG, JA3UB, JA3AER, JA3ART, JA3NGW, JR3WXA and JH3GAH. They will be active on 160-6 meters CW/SSB/SSTV. Their schedules are as follows:

• **November 18-21st** - In **Brunei** signing **V85TG** and **V8SEA**. QSL V85TG via JH3GAH. QSL info for V8SEA will be announced on the air.

• November 21-25th - In East Malaysia signing 9M8TG. QSL 9M8TG via JH3GAH.

**OH0, ALAND ISLANDS**. Look for OH2MAM to be active in the **CQWW SSB Contest** as **OH0Z**. QSL via OH1EH.

**P4, ARUBA**. Jacobo, P43P, will be participating in the **CQWW SSB Contest** as Single Op/All Bands (QRP?), from his QTH on the North Coast of Aruba with the callsign **P40B**. A new PHOTO QSL card is now available via his new QSL Manager, so update your QSL Manager records as follows. QSL P40B via Mario Ambrosi, I2MQP. These new and colorful P40B QSL cards are available for all contests, and, of course, for any previous QSOs made with P40B.

**PJ2, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES.** The Caribbean Contesting Consortium (CCC) will be active from Curacao during the CQWW SSB Contest as PJ2C. The team, consisting of Geoff/W0CG, Dan/K8RF, Hillar/N6HR/ES1HR, Harry/W8KKF, Ron/ WA8LOW, Noel/W9EFL, Elsie/N7WDX and Mark/N4OKX will operate PJ2C as a Multi/Single entry next weekend. Various members of the CCC team have been active from the Caribbean in another operation which included VP5FXB, CY9RF, VP5CW and PJ9T. XYLs Cindy Howard, Marge Flasher and Tanya Tuell will join the team in support roles including photograpy, scuba diving and operating co-ordination. Outside the contest period, team members will be active from October 27th through November 1st as PJ2/homecall with a special emphasis on 160, 75 and 6 meters CW and SSB as preparations for the contest allow. QSL manager for PJ2C is W8KKF. Check out the PJ2C Web site at: <a href="http://asgard.kent.edu/ccc/pj2c/">http://asgard.kent.edu/ccc/pj2c/</a> Following the operation, contesters and DXers will have the opportunity to vote on their choice for the QSL photo by logging on to the PJ2C web site and viewing a selection of photos from the operation. ADDED NOTE: Contest operations by non-residents in the Antilles are no longer receiving PJ9 prefixes. PJ contest callsigns will now reflect the regular prefix of the appropriate island and reciprocal temporary callsign as PJ(x)/home call.

**PY, BRAZIL**. Alex, **PY1KS**, states that he will be active in the **CQWW SSB Contest** as a Single Operator Single Band Low Power entry. He has not decided if the band will be 10 or 15 meters.

## QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- A message from Lech, LA7MFA, states the following: "It seams like there is a lot of different addresses of mine out there. I guess I have been moving around too much lately: QSL for KH8/KK6HC goes via LA7MFA: Lech Slawomir Tomczak, Froeyas vei 61, 3472 Boedalen, Norway. All bureau QSLs will be answered. But I need some time to make my special color QSL card. I have been operating for 24 hours last Saturday/Sunday from Leone on Tutuila, Am. Samoa using my American callsign KK6HC. I was using IC751A with just 100W into a Butternut HF9VX antenna. I made total 1200 QSOs on 40, 30, 20, 15, 12 and 10m. The condx were very poor as my QTH was on the southern part of the island behind a huge mountain. I enjoyed this very first own radio expedition. Thanks to all who came to say hello. I was trying to make any QSO from the boat on the way back from ZK3CW/T31T expedition but it seems that LA7MFA/MM was not interesting enough. Nobody would bother to answer my CQ call! I will put a log search on my WEB page <a href="http://www.qsl.net/la7mfa/">http://www.qsl.net/la7mfa/</a> shortly."
- Jurek, SP2BIK, reports that their operation from the Polish Lighthouse in Krynica Morska during the "International Lighthouses Weekend" they operated on CW, SSB, FM

- and Packet Radio. They made over 1600 QSOs on HF bands. Presently, they are still waiting for printing of the QSL cards to be done. Once the cards become available, they will be distributed the same way they were received.
- NEW QSL MANAGER. A new manager has been announced for the upcoming operations: PX7G, Fort Queijo (Nov. 12-16th); ZY7G, Fort Brum, (Nov. 19-22nd); and PQ7G, Fort 5 Pontas (Dec. 3-6th). QSL via PS7AB to the Bureau or direct to: Rony Reis, Caixa Postal 2021, 59094-970, Natal/RN, Brazil.
- **SEND NO GREEN STAMPS**. **UK9AA** reports that they have a problem with the postal service in their country of Uzbekistan. He requests to "PLEASE, DON'T send your QSL cards with Green Stamp". He states that foreign letter asre being opened, and it is better to send IRCs instead of "Green Stamps".
- RN PREFIX IS RUSSIAN. Igor, RN3ZQ, reports that many outgoing QSL Mail from the USA for the Russian radio amateurs (with prefixes RN) are being sent to the UN QSL Bureau (Kazahstan). This is wrong, RN prefixes are for RUSSIA.
- SAVE YOUR GREEN STAMPS. Abdollah Sadjadian, EP2FM, reports that the station signing EP2AS on 30 meters on October 10th, stating to QSL via UR5SAS, is not a licensed station. He mentions that the EP2AS callsign was issued to Mostafa Shafii a good 40 years ago, and he was a very skilled CW operator. He may be a possible silent key now.
- NO LONGER QSL MANGER. Jack, N2VW, reports to OPDX that in the past he was the QSL Manager (and licensee) for VP5O (1992), VP5N(1993), VP5R (1994) and P40T (1995). However, he no longer acts as a QSL manager for ANY of these callsign. Those particular logs are closed. These contest callsigns have been re-issued by the respective licensing authorities in recent years. He requests and states the following: "Please remove my call from your any of your data bases that show me as manager. Hope it works ... The flood of bureau cards is getting expensive. However, those I do receive are redirected via the bureau if I can find a manager."

**SPECIAL EVENT**. For the **50 year anniversary of the Aviation Civil School**, the club F6KRQ will be using the callsign **TM0AC** now **until October 31st**.

**SV, GREECE**. Look for **SV1DKR** to be active next weekend in the **CQWW SSB Contest** as a Multi/Multi entry. QSL cards are OK via bureau.

**T8, BELAU REPUBLIC**. Look for JA1WSX (T88WX), JH4OWG (T88??) and JA7AYE (T88??) to be active from Belau between **October 28th through November 2nd**. They will participate in the **CQWWDX SSB Contest** as **T88WX** as a Multi/Single category. Before and after contest they will operate on all bands with their own callsign. QSL T88WX via JA1WSX and the others via their home callsign.

TI, COSTA RICA. JA6WFM, JM6EBU (TI5EBU) and JM6UAA will be active from here between October 29th through November 2nd. They will participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest as TI5EBU together with TI5KD as a Multi/Single category. Before and after the contest they will operate TI5/homecall. QSL TI5EBU via JM6EBU and all others via their home callsign.

**UA0, ASIATIC RUSSIA**. Yuri, **UA0SJ**, lives in the city of **Bratsk**, 600 kilometers on the north side of Lake Baikal. He plans to be active in the **CQWW SSB Contest** as a Single OP/Single Band (15 meters) entry. Please send QSL via direct to: Yuri A. Maltsev, P.O. Box

2304, Bratsk-city, 665700, Russia (Asiatic).

**UP2, KAZAKHSTAN**. Valery, UN7LZ, will use the special callsign **UP4L** in both **CQWW DX Contest** (**SSB** and **CW**) as a Single Op/Multi-Band entry. QSL all direct cards to: Valery Zhilyaev, P.O.Box 7, Kostanay, 458000, Rep. of Kazakhstan.

**UP5, KAZAKHSTAN**. Romeo, UN5PR, will be active in the **CQWW SSB Contest** as **UP5P** as a Single Operator/All-Bands entry. Yuri, UN6P, will take his turn and be active in **CQWW CW Contest** as **UP6P** as a Single Operator/All-Bands entry. QSLs for UP5P and UP6P are via UN5PR direct: Romeo Y. Loparev, P.O.Box 73, Temirtau, 472300, Rep. of Kazakhstan. Romeo tells OPDX that their QSL-bureau in Kazakhstan is not working.

**VQ9, CHAGOS ISLANDS**. A report received from Rick, NE8Z, states that Ron, **VQ9DX**, has been looking for stateside on **1828 kHz** for about 4 nights a week, but with no takers. He has had a couple of fair European openings at his sunrise, but no stateside. Ron states, "Currently we're back on the hook, not dockside, so I can't get to the club for sunrise for the next couple weeks at least. But continue to be QRV at our sunset on 1.828. Usually stick around till after W6 sunrise." QSL via AA5DX.

XU, CAMBODIA. Andy, G4ZVJ, was active for just 24 hours on September 18th, after eventually being issued the callsign XU7AAV in Phnom Penh. He made 850 CW QSOs. Andy will return to Cambodia around November 20th for approximately two weeks including the CQWW CW Contest. QSL via G4ZVJ. Also, check out the Web page: <a href="http://www.g4zvj.demon.co.uk/xu.htm">http://www.g4zvj.demon.co.uk/xu.htm</a>

**ZS5, SOUTH AFRICA**. Edwin, ZS5BBO (NODXA member) will be active next weekend in the **CQWW SSB Contest**. He will be operating as a single operator on 10, 15 and 20 meters using his contest callsign **ZS5T**. Also, he mentions that he will be part of the International DX team consisting of K1DWQ (North America), PT7BZ (South America), DL8PC (Europe), VU2PAI (Asia) and himself, ZS5T (Africa). QSL cards can be sent direct via ZS5BBO, address ok in QRZ.COM / BUCKMASTER or International Call book. Edwin also mentions that an operator named Ron (no callsign given) will be active as **ZS5T** in the **CQWW CW Contest** as a Single Op.

**ZX0, FERNANDO DE NORONHA**. The Araucaria DX Group in Brazil has organized a multi-national operation from Fernando de Noronha for the **CQWW SSB Contest** as a Multi/Multi entry. The team will have U.S., Bulgarian, and Brazilian operators at the ZX0F contest station from Fernando de Noronha Island. Operators include PY5EG, PY5CC, PP5JR, PY5GU, PY0FF, PY5ZBU, K1CC, K1LZ, K1ZM, K2DM, N5FA, LZ1JK and LZ1JY. The group will be using all ACOM 2000 amplifiers from ACOM. The antenna system is as follows:

- 160 meters: Verticals using balloons, phased inv-L
- 80 meters: Rotatable dipole, 4-square, wire beams
- 40 meters: 3 el yagi, 2 el yagi
- 20 meters: 5 over 5
- 15 meters: 5 over 5
- 10 meters: 6 over 6
- Several tribanders and beverages.

For further information check out the Web site at: <a href="http://www.inepar.com.br/araucaria/">http://www.inepar.com.br/araucaria/</a> -or- For live WebCam pictures from the 10m tower: <a href="http://www.noronha.com.br">http://www.noronha.com.br</a> Special awards will be mailed to entrants who work ZX0F on all six bands during the contest.

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